

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 4025**
Toshitada NOGUCHI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_0034A
Serial No. 10/521,576 : Group Art Unit 1651
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 10, 2008, the date for response having been extended for one month to April 10, 2009, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

*Response Under 37 CFR 1.116
Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 1600*

*The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency
or to credit any overpayment associated with this
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